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Ms. Rosemary F. Center General Counsel Kentucky Registry of Election Finance 140 Walnut Street Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Ms. Center:

Vote Yes For Unity is a duly-organized and registered political issues committee supporting the Louisville and Jefferson County merger ballot initiative. Pursuant to KRS 121.135, Vote Yes For Unity requests an Advisory Opinion from the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance on the following question:

Does the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance enforce the \$1,000 contribution limit in KRS 121.150(6) against political issues committees?

This limitation is unenforceable under Citizens Against Rent Control v. Berkley, 454 U.S. 290 (1981), as you held Kentucky Registry Election Finance Advisory Opinion 98-011, issued to the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation. Since Advisory Opinions protect only those to whom they are issued, Vote Yes for Unity respectfully requests an Advisory Opinion to confirm that this interpretation is the current interpretation of the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John Chilton

Treasurer, Vote Yes for Unity

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